

## DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

Department of Health and Hospitals  
Bureau of Health Services Financing

**Inpatient Hospital Services - Non-Rural, Non-State Hospitals**  
**Termination of Additional Payments for**  
**Hemophilia Blood Products**  
**(LAC 50:V.965)**

The Department of Health and Hospitals, Bureau of Health Services Financing repeals LAC 50:V.965 in the Medical Assistance Program as authorized by R.S. 36:254 and pursuant to Title XIX of the Social Security Act. This Emergency Rule is promulgated in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:953(B)(1) et seq., and shall be in effect for the maximum period allowed under the Act or until adoption of the final Rule, whichever occurs first.

The Department of Health and Hospitals, Office of the Secretary, Bureau of Health Services Financing adopted provisions governing the reimbursement methodology for non-rural, non-state acute care hospitals to provide additional reimbursements to certain hospitals for the extraordinary costs incurred in the purchase of blood products for Medicaid recipients who have been diagnosed with hemophilia (*Louisiana Register*, Volume 34, Number 10) and other rare bleeding disorders (*Louisiana Register*, Volume 35, Number 4).

As a result of a budget shortfall in state fiscal year 2015, the Department of Health and Hospitals, Bureau of Health Services

Financing promulgated an Emergency Rule which amended the provisions governing the reimbursement methodology for inpatient hospital services rendered by non-rural, non-state hospitals to eliminate the additional reimbursements for hemophilia blood products purchased by hospitals (*Louisiana Register*, Volume 41, Number 3). This Emergency Rule is being promulgated to continue the provisions of the March 5, 2015 Emergency Rule. This action is being taken to avoid a budget deficit in the Medical Assistance Program.

Effective July 4, 2015, the Department of Health and Hospitals, Bureau of Health Services Financing amends the reimbursement methodology for inpatient hospital services rendered by non-rural, non-state hospitals in order to repeal the provisions governing additional reimbursements for hemophilia blood products.

## **Title 50**

### **PUBLIC HEALTH—MEDICAL ASSISTANCE**

#### **Part V. Hospital Services**

#### **Subpart 1. Inpatient Hospitals**

### **Chapter 9. Non-Rural, Non-State Hospitals**

#### **Subchapter B. Reimbursement Methodology**

#### **§965. Hemophilia Blood Products**

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 36:254 and Title XIX of the Social Security Act.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Office of the Secretary, Bureau of Health Services Financing, LR 34:2176 (October 2008), amended by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Bureau of Health Services Financing, LR 35:674 (April 2009), repealed LR 41:

Interested persons may submit written comments to J. Ruth Kennedy, Bureau of Health Services Financing, P.O. Box 91030, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70821-9030 or by email to [MedicaidPolicy@la.gov](mailto:MedicaidPolicy@la.gov). Ms. Kennedy is responsible for responding to inquiries regarding this Emergency Rule. A copy of this Emergency Rule is available for review by interested parties at parish Medicaid offices.

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